UNITED STATES OF AMERICA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY WASHINGTON, D.C.

Issued by the Department of Transportation on May 18, 1999

NOTICE OF ACTION TAKEN -- DOCKET OST-99-5672

This serves as notice to the public of the action described below, taken by the Department official indicated (no additional confirming order will be issued in this matter).

Applicant: Air Europe, S.p.A. d/b/a Air Europe Italy

Relief requested: Exemption from 49 U.S.C. 41301 to conduct scheduled foreign air transportation of persons, property and mail between Pisa/Venice, Italy, and New York, NY, at a frequency of seven (7) roundtrip flights per week.

Date Filed: May 11, 1999

If renewal, date and citation of last action: New authority

Applicant representative: Lester Bridgeman 334-432-1414

Responsive pleadings: On May 17, 1999, the applicant informed us that it had polled the parties served with its application and that none objected to our acting in advance of the normal answer date (May 26) or to the merits of the application itself.

DISPOSITION

Action: Approved in part, Remainder dismissed (see Remarks, below)

Action date: May 18, 1999

Effective dates of authority granted: May 18, 1999 - May 18, 2000

Remarks: We approved Air Europe's application to conduct Pisa/Venice-New York scheduled services at a frequency of six (6) roundtrip flights per week. We noted that our action was consistent with the Government of Italy's diplomatic note of February 8, 1999, designating the carrier, pursuant to the November 19, 1998 U.S.-Italy Memorandum of Consultations, for the operation of 6 weekly roundtrip frequencies in the Pisa/Venice-New York market.

Special conditions/Partial grant/Denial basis/Remarks:

Action taken by: Paul L. Gretch, Director

Office of International Aviation

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We found that the applicant was qualified to perform its proposed operations.

Under authority assigned by the Department in its regulations, 14 CFR Part 385, we found that (1) immediate action was required and was consistent with Department policy; (2) grant of the authority was consistent with the public interest; and (3) grant of the authority would not constitute a major regulatory action under the Energy Policy and Conservation Act of 1975. To the extent not granted/deferred/dismissed, we denied all requests in the referenced Docket. We may amend, modify, or revoke the authority granted in this Notice at any time without hearing at our discretion.

Persons entitled to petition the Department for review of the action set forth in this Notice under the Department's regulations, 14 CFR §385.30, may file their petitions within ten (10) days after the date of issuance of this Notice. This action was effective when taken, and the filing of a petition for review will not alter such effectiveness.

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